She Advocates a General Reform in Men's

I have been told, I know not whether truly, that in the United States of America fustian smock and blouse are clothes unseen, unknown; and that the inappropriate garb in which the Amerprobably a steam plow which he in discoursing.

handles cannot outbalance the dreariIn the line of quaint instances, howthing as a peasantry known in this land men." The superior manhood and civil carried under the arm. "Pig and status of the hired man to the peasant Whistle," "Cock and Bottle," and to dispute; but the superiority of threadbare broadcloth to whole and "Fox and Lamb," "Coach and Horses, clean fustian or linen seems to me a and such like, call for less comment proposition which nobody in their In London the "Hole in the Wall' supreme excellence in any kind of which supper beer is served to custome elothes is their fitness for the occasion ers who come by a side entrance. I rebe more unsuitable for field work or any open air work than broadcloth or any cloth, and nothing is so uncleanly and so unlovely as a suit of clothes which has been worn and outworn as a "best" suit and has passed into working use with all its stains and spots of the past upon it.

There is no working dress so clean, so convenient, so manly, so becoming, as the blouse of France. It is an ideal dress. When made in velvet for a man of pleasure it is charmingly pictur. s me and simple; when worn in linen by the artisan or the laborer it lends itself to every movement of the limbs and body; its belt braces the loins, and while in winter any quantity of wool can be that its liquors are exclusively supplied worn beneath it, its washable qualities make it entirely suitable for a working dress, and its lightness and convenience in summer are beyond question. Why is not this charming and most sensible garb universal? For the rich it would be capable of an infinite variety of adornment from embroidery in silk or in boullion thread, while for the poor it combines cleanliness and convenience as no other dress does.

The present fashion of men's dress has no single quality to recommend it; it is awkward, ngly, confounds the shapely limbs with the unshapely, and is the most grotesque and unnatural costame in which the human frame has ever disguised itself. If any of the statues which have been made of public men in this dress endure to a remote posterity, that posterity will certainly call in question either our tume so utterly absurd and so entirely hideons, unsuitable for every purpose for which it is worn, ill-adapted to any single season of the year, and destroying every line which makes the human form harmonious. The trousers alone is an article of such fearful hideousness that it is hard to understand why a heard advanced for it is that it conceals deformities; but if deformity be so general, of what use are modern gymshaped men from the days of Socrates fashion of male dress may continue to to exist because there is no man of great eminence with courage enough to change it.

The Thistle for Scotland.

There is much obscurity as to the circumstances under which the thistle Scottish nation, but the following is a ed for her repose. Whether the fair Scientific American. Amazon fought in the national costume I know not, but the spines of the offending herb were sufficiently powerful to penetrate the skin in a very from her with a military but unladylike expression, when it struck her that the prickly plant would henceforth be ever Queries.

The Toothpick Industry. A toothpick factory is one of the flourishing wood-working establishments at Harbor Springs, Mich., and it is one of the largest factories of the kind in the country. White birch is exclusively used in the manufacture of the toothpicks, and about 7,500,000 of been associated in the public mind the handy little splinters are turned with the lady of the White House. thoroughly steamed and cut up to temperance; with Mrs. Garfield, literveneer. The veneer is cut up into long ary tastes; with Mrs. Cleveland, beauty; ribbons, three inches in width, and and with Mrs. Harrison it promises to these ribbons, eight or ten of them at be domesticity. Nearly all the items a time, are run through the toothpick about her tell of her doing her own machinery, coming out at the other end, the perfect pleces falling into one basket, the broken pieces and refuse falling into another. The picks are packed into boxes, 3,500 in a box, by girls, mostly comely looking squaws, and are then packed into cas's and that there are ever so many more lunafinally into big boxes, ready for ship- ties among unmarried men than among ment to all parts of the world. The married. white birch toothpicks are very neat and clean in appearance, sweet to the taste, and there is a wide market for them. The goods sell at the factory at \$1.90 a case of 150,000 picks, or 100 small boxes, each containing 1,500, and the small boxes, each containing 1,500, and the small boxes are to the must lead with that wife of his, and think no more about it."—Philadelphia the small boxes retail at 5 cents each, Record.

or 100 picks for 1 cent, at which rate almost everybody can afford to take a fresh toothpick after each meal. The Timberman.

Old-Fashioned Signs.

Among the oddities of tavern signs in England those that contain the names old broadcloth of Sunday-going suits, of the apostles are not uncommon. when worn threadbare, is the singularly There are several "Luke's" taverns the district or ward probably bearing husbandman tills or delves his the saintly name. Once the writer mother earth. The picture of him thus came across "Peter's Finger," the signattired at the tail of his plow is so board bearing a figure with pointed melancholy that even the fact that it is finger, evidently representing the saint

ness of it, and it is companioned in ever, may be named the following: melancholy by the information afforded "Honest Lawyer" and Silent Woman, at the same time that there is no such | who are humorously deputed as having attained that state of perfection or disof black coats; there are only "hired erction when the head is cut off and may be a knotty political question open | "Lamb and Flag" are somewhat strange combinations, but "Horse and Groom." senses can care to maintain. The one probably contains an aperture through on which they are worn. Nothing can member one hotel which in exterior rhyme gave "good advice," though scarcely appropriate, and may be deemed savoring of cant, commencing:

Let moderation be your guide, And never from its precepts slide while another country inn called "The Wheel" has this bilding:

Stop, frierd, step, I make no doubt You'll help me turn the wheel abou t. There was a tavern in London where if one entered and deposited a farthing on the counter without speaking a glass of ale would be served, but whether more than once a day, or the origin of the singular custom, I did not learn. Some hostelries claim in the name of the owning brewer such distinction as "Brown's Entire," meaning, I believe,

by him. In the Isle of Man was to be seen the following effusion on an inn on a hill-

My name is Abraham Low, I'm half way up the hill; If higher up I go, That will be botter still. Then come and take a swill, Take whatever you will. The prices like me are low.

In addition to being a tribute of affection, the wife of a certain "Landlord of the Lion" did a little advertising for herself (like the widow of the sculptor who added a sort of postscript to her perpetuation of his memory, viz: "Monuments of this kind, \$250"), as follows:

Reneath this stone, in hopes of Zion, Doth ive the I and ord of the I ion; His wife keeps on the business still), Resigned to the Heavenly Will.

There are other businesses or "professions" that have been announced in sanity or our civilization. There is no an odd way. Over the door of an asother age which has possessed a cos- piring chimney sweep in Manchester I ones read:

Joseph Doe, fire extinguisher, he lives here, Seeks for orders far and near; With his brush, scraper and machine He sweeps chimneys very clean. -Detroit Free Press.

A Novel Swimming Dress.

A swimming dress, resembling a world which is not wholly bowlegged or | diver's dress, and made of double India spindleshanked can ever have submit- rubber, has, according to a foreign ted to its tyranny. The only plea ever contemporary, been adopted in the German navy. On the chest is a valve through which air is blown into the interior of the dress, which covers the nastics, games, and sport? To what whole body and leaves only the face use is hygiene made the A B C of mod- free. To prevent the swimmer from ern existence? There have been ill- being too much tossed about by the sea the space round the chest is especto those of Prince Eugene; but that ially large. The swimmer wears a belt can be no reason to sacrifice the well- which divides the dress into two parts, shaped multitude to them; Quasimodo to prevent a too great loss of air if the is no law for Pheebus. The present dress were torn about the legs, and consequent difficulty in swimming.

The swimmer wears shoes eaden soles to se ure his equilibrium, and for his defense a dagger, which is fastened to the girdle. The swimmers are to be employed for the blowing up of mines and hostile craft, and are provided with a box containing an exwas adopted as its emblem by the plosive charge, which they have to fasten to the mine or craft, and ignite. tradition: Queen Scotia had led her Before the explosion occurs they are troops in a well-fought field, and when out of the reach of danger. The swimthe day was won retired to the rear to ming dress has been already tried in rest from her toils. She threw herself Germany. During the attack on the upon the ground, when, as ill-luck harbor of Kiel on Aug. 29 swimmers would have it, an envious thistle had were dispatched from the ironclads to elected to grow at the very spot select- destroy the mines closing the port .-

The Americans of Asia.

The Japanese call themselves the Americans of Asia, and they are to a painful manner. A proverbial philoso- certain extent right. They are like pher (not Mr. Tupper, I think) has the Americans in their ready adoption declared that "He that sitteth on net- of new things and in their being ready tles riseth up quickly," and the same to risk the present for the future.
remark holds good of thistles. Queen They are quick-witted, and they want Scotia sprang up and tore the thistle to be up to the times. They lack, howup by the roots. She was about to east it | ever. I am prone to believe, the American's desire of accumulation, his industry and perseverance, and above all, his wonderful creative faculty. You associated in her mind with the glori- will find a patent office at Tokio, but ous victory which she had just gained. you can number the noted Japanese in-Her intention was changed. She placed | ventions upon your fingers. Up to this the thistle in her casque, and it became stage in their career the Japanese have the badge of her dynasty. - Notes and | been an imitative rather than a creative nation. What they have had in the past has been adopted from other nations. The civilization which preceded the one now coming in was largely Chinese.-Frank G. Carpenter's letter.

Ladies of the White House.

Some distinctive quality has always out daily. The logs are sawed up into With Mrs. Grant it was interest in bolts each 28 inches in length, then national affairs; with Mrs. Hayes, marketing and praise her skill as a housekeeper.

Statistics Explained.

Mr. Biffers-See here, Jane, the paper says that French statistics show

How to Prolong Life.

It is tersely said that "all fools are mad, though some are madder than others, and perhaps among the maddest of them it would be safe to reckon those who, having but one life to live, run through with it in vain lamentation over troubles which they can't avoid, or, what is vainer, over those which they can, and which sometimes are so far in the future that they never come to one of the doors: bother them. To "take time by the "Upshaw in?" forelock" is a very profitable grip to hold on that slippery old fellow, but trouble is not so slippery, and we should practice our haste and activity sah?"

"Oh that's all right" remarked the rather in keeping out of her way as long as possible—to build a wall of mirth, as it were, between her and us. over which her clumsy feet would never venture to climb.

Gravity is a grave thing. It may be appropriate at certain times and in certain places, but as an every-day dish it is tough and indigestible. A continual diet of India rubber would, perhaps, be as favorable to the growth and flourish of the body and mind. Therefore, if we are wise as well as grave, we can show our wisdom in no stronger way than dropping our gravity and "playing the fool now and then." Even Socrates himself knew the danger of too spittoon and the owner of the boots much gravity, and frequently took occasion to sink some of it in the gay | deal:

tide of merriment. "Mirth," says an old writer, "purgeth the blood, confirms health, causeth a fresh, pleasing and fine color, prorogues life, whets the wit, and maketh the body young, lively, and fit for any manner of employment." And if we need further proof of its life-giving properties we can find it in the Bible, spread forth in unequivocal and unmistakable words: "A merry heart is the life of the flesh," saith the Proverbs; and in Ecclesiastes we are told that "Gladness prolongs a man's days."

In the plodding, matter-of-fact days of the present, it seems, we have too little time to think of much else than "business, serious business;" and, when we come to think of it, it is a serious business to have our lives shortened with cares and labors—cares and labors that would be a great deal more palatable and far less death dealing if seasoned with a little mirth and non-

Let us reform this altogether and take profitably to heart Shakspeare's advice:

Frame your mind for mirth and meriment Which bars a thousand harms. -Table Talk.

Are We to Have Another War? Some political prophets aver that we shall. Be that as it may, the battle waged by medical science against disease will never coase until we arrive at that utopian epoch when the human family shall cease to be afflicted with boilily aliments. One of the most potent weapons which the armory of medicine furnishes is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which is of special utility as a family remedy, as it is adapted to the immediate relief and ultimate cure of those disorders of the stomach, liver and bowels which are of c mmonest occurrence. Indigestion, biliousness and constipation are inseparable companions, and these ailments are compretery cradicated by the Bitters. But the remedial scope of this superiatively wholesoms and genial medicine takes in also narvous allments, rheumatism and kidney troubles; its action in these, as in the other complaints, being characterized by unequaled thoroughness.

A GREAT many of Nature's laws are written so plainly in consequences that it seems very odd that so many of us pass our lives without paying the least regard to them; too often it is only when they are written in our very life's blood that we heed them at all, and then it is too late. The anxious man of business, the fretting, over-solicitous mother, the worrying housekeeper, each in his or her way is laying up a debt against vitality, and becoming involved in a very serious contest with nervous force, in which they are sure to come off worsted, and for what? Often for the most ridiculous

MOST people, in cleaning chimney lamps, use either a brush made of bristles twisted into wire, or a rag on the point of a scissors. Both of these are bad, for without great care the wire or scissors will scratch as a diamond does, which under the expansive power of heat soon breaks, as all scratched grass will. If you want a neat little thing, that costs nothing, and will save half your glass, tie a piece of sponge the size of your chimney to a pine

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THE success of the farmer, like the success of every man, depends largely upon his wife, though this fact is too seldom considered. It is not necessary for a man to make a drudge of his wife in order to succeed, either. Well-matched married people never fail to consult each other's

APPLE MERINGUE PUDDING .- Sonk three-fourths of a cupful of bread crumbs in one pint of milk, add one pint of milk, the yelks of four eggs, one cupful of sugar, one tablespoonful of melted butter and four grated apples. Bake, and make meringue of the whites of four eggs.

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"Oh, that's all right," remarked the reporter, as he walked into the room. "Phil" Thompson and a number of other politicians were there, and the "General" seemed to be busy listening to their stories rather than in attending to his mail.

"Mr. Upshaw here?" said the reporter.

There was a dead silence for a few moments. Then "Phil" Thompson pointed to a pair of boots stretched across the desk. There seemed to be an individual attached to them. Slowsaid with a severity that meant a great

"Mr. Upshaw is not in." The reporter looked inquiringly at 'Phil" Thompson. Then the Presence attached to the boots said with dignity "General Upshaw is in; what do you want of me?"

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